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DATE October 29, 1981

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

FOR: Mr. Richard V. Allen
National Security Council
The White House

REFERENCE:

TO: President Reagan FROM: Mr. Charles W. Unglesby

DATE: 8/6/81 SUBJECT: opposes Israeli air attacks on Iraq and Lebanon

WHITE HOUSE REFERRAL DATED: 9/24/81 NSC # _____

_____ THE ATTACHED ITEM WAS SENT DIRECTLY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION TAKEN:

_x_ A draft reply is attached for signature of WH staff

_____ A draft reply will be forwarded

_____ A translation is attached

_____ An information copy of a direct reply is attached

_____ We believe no response is necessary for the reason cited below

_____ Other

REMARKS:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR

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Joseph L. Rosenblatt
L. Paul Bremer, III
Executive Secretary

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SUGGESTED REPLY

Dear Mr. Unglesby:

I am replying to your message to President Reagan concerning the Israeli air attacks on Iraq and Lebanon. I hope the following review of U.S. actions and policies is helpful in understanding our position. I sincerely regret the delay in this response.

As you know, on June 7, Israeli Air Force units attacked the nuclear reactor under construction in Tuwaitha, Iraq. On June 8, we condemned the Israeli air strike, noting that the unprecedented character of this action would seriously add to the already tense situation in the area and complicate our efforts to peacefully resolve problems there. The United States was not consulted in any way about any phase of the operation and was not informed of it in advance.

On June 10, the President suspended the scheduled delivery of four F-16 aircraft to Israel pending further study of the Israeli action and consultations with Congress. That same day, pursuant to Section 3 of the Arms Export Control Act, Secretary Haig sent letters to the Chairmen of the Senate Foreign Relations and House Foreign Affairs Committees indicating that a substantial violation of the 1952 U.S.-Israel Mutual Defense Assistance

Mr. Charles W. Unglesby,
170 Sycamore Creek Drive,
Springboro, Ohio 45066.

Agreement may have occurred. After the required report to Congress, the Act leaves any further determination or action to the President's discretion. Congress may also take further action.

On June 19, the United States voted for U.N. Security Council Resolution 487 condemning the Israeli attack, making clear our profound concern about the raid's impact on the peace and security of all the nations of the Middle East.

The July escalation of the cycle of violence on both sides of the Israel-Lebanon border, which included Israeli air attacks on Beirut and Palestinian rocket attacks on northern Israeli towns, was of great concern to us. Because of this general atmosphere of increased violence and tension in the region, the President continued the suspension of scheduled military aircraft deliveries to Israel, eventually including ten additional F-16's and two F-15's. We voted for U.N. Security Council Resolution 490, which called for an immediate end to all armed attacks, and we worked hard to end the cross-border violence.

The Administration conducted an intensive review of these events, including candid discussions with Israeli Prime Minister Begin and consultations with Congress. We are satisfied that the Government of Israel clearly understands the provisions of U.S. law that govern the use of U.S.-supplied military equipment. The review took into account events and trends in the Middle East, particularly the events in Lebanon leading to a cease-fire on July 24. This cease-fire is a positive element in the region, one which we hope will continue and lead to other steps toward

peace. In view of the changed atmosphere in the region, and after the review's completion, President Reagan lifted the suspension of military aircraft deliveries to Israel.

In the case of the air attack on the Iraqi nuclear facility, we have carefully noted the Israeli and Iraqi positions. Israel contends that its action against Iraq was a necessary, legitimate act of self-defense because the Iraqi reactor was intended to produce weapons grade material to make atomic bombs. Israel also points out that there is a state of war between the two countries and contends that Iraq had made clear its intention to produce such a weapon for use against Israel.

Iraq, on the other hand, denies that its nuclear program has any application other than the peaceful uses of nuclear energy. Iraq points out that it has ratified the Non-Proliferation Treaty and that its reactor and supply of enriched uranium were subject to International Atomic Energy Agency safeguard controls.

The United States does not believe that force can provide the answer to international disputes. Our condemnation of Israel's action was intended to clearly express this view. At the same time, as Ambassador Kirkpatrick made clear before the U.N. Security Council, we remain fully committed to the security and well-being of Israel and to the friendship between our two countries. The United States will continue to do all in its power to achieve a just and lasting peace for all the peoples of the Middle East.

Sincerely,

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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SEPTEMBER 24, 1981

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:
DRAFT REPLY FOR SIGNATURE OF WHITE HOUSE STAFF MEMBER

REMARKS: PLEASE REPLY FOR PARAGAPHS 2 AND 3 ON ISRAEL - MAYBE A COUPLE PARAGAPHS OF LANGUAGE ON THAT - THANKS

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 040261

MEDIA: LETTER, DATED AUGUST 6, 1981

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

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SUBJECT: WRITER OPPOSES ISRAELI MILITARY ACTION AGAINST IRAQ AND ARAB GUERRILLA FORCES IN LEBANON - OPPOSES RELEASE OF F-16'S TO ISRAEL

Israeli Raids

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 33, THE WHITE HOUSE

BY DIRECTION OF THE PRESIDENT:
LESLIE SORG
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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NOVEMBER 9, 1981

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ACTION REQUESTED:
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ACTION ASSIGNED TO: [redacted] PA
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DATE: 11-13-81

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____ STATE TO

____ with Draft reply for signature by _____
____ with Comment or Recommendation

✓ DIRECT REPLY

✓ provide info copy under cover of State-NSC transmittal form

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____ provide comeback copy for _____

____ RECOMMENDATION FOR _____
____ with Memorandum for the President

____ APPROPRIATE HANDLING

____ FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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DUE IN S/S BY: 11-20-81

REMARKS/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Please send a direct reply to Mr. Unglesby. The White House has decided that suggested draft, sent under S/S 8127863, should instead be signed and sent by the State Dept.

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FROM: [redacted] (NAME)

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August 6, 1981

The President,
The White House,
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

I would like to send this letter in support of your firm and decissive actions regarding the illegal strike of the PATCO members. I am in total agreement.

I would like to feel that we can expect the same fidelity to the law in regard to the matter of shipping arms to Israel and that the hold on the 10 F-16 fighters will continue.

The Israeli actions in Iraq and Beirut were in direct and flagrent violation of US law regarding the use of US supplied arms. The US vote at the United Nations condemning Israel for its aggressive act clearly defines that.

The law is quite specific in both cases as are the consequences that must surely follow. I feel sure that you will agree and that in the interests of fairness and even-handed application of the laws you will act accordingly.

Very respectfully,

Charles Umpleby